# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY

**JUNE 15, 2021** 

5:30 P.M.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Board of Public Works and Safety of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 330 North Main Street Suite 200 Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Gary Cameron, Brad Berkemeier, and Phil King answered roll call. Darrin McGowan was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse, and Mary Muncie, *Rushville Recorder*.

**MINUTES:** Berkemeier moved to approve the minutes of the June 1, 2021 meeting as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: None.

**CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT:** None.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Fire** – Chief Munson reported that they had a residential fire on Saturday. He said he would like to thank the police department, township fire departments and the neighborhood for helping and for providing them with water. Munson said there were no injuries.

**Utility** – Superintendent Shook reported that they have made the corrections for IDEM and will mail them back. Met with Wessler today regarding risk assessment that needs to be filed by the end of the month. Mayor Pavey thanked Shook and Assistant Fire Chief Justice for taking care of the recent hydrant issue.

**Street** – Commissioner Miller said they will be hauling dirt tomorrow. They will be putting up banners at the Amphitheater to help getting ready for the concert Saturday.

**Animal**- Assistant Director Cleland reported that they continue working on the landscaping. They are going to seal the block wall. They have received the water heaters and they are waiting on them to be installed.

**Park** – Director Burklow reported that they have been working out the kinks at the splash pad. They have done a little work on the pump at the pool.

**Police** – Chief Tucker said he has been solicited by an auction company for disposal of electronics and guns. This would be for evidence that is not contraband. Normally they put items in a sheriff sale which ends up costing us money. The company will pick up the items. Newhouse has reviewed the contract and gave his seal of approval. Tucker said he will email a copy of the contact for the board to review.

### **CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS**: None.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- 1. **Monthly Project Pay Apps:** Cameron moved to approve the claims as presented. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
  - Cherry Street \$11,687.50
  - Overlook \$82,963.78
  - Gateway \$63,227.95
  - CCMG \$5,587.00
  - The Lakes @ Rushville (Boulders) \$75,518.61
  - Morgan Street Bike & Trail \$8,191.50
  - Sign & Post Replacement \$2,844.00
- 2. **Personnel Policy Handbook** There will be a meeting July 20 to start the process.
- Fire/Rescue Department Hiring Status Perf Chief Munson reported that one of the applicants that we offered the position to could not finish the process. Munson asked permission to hire Mark Barker contingent upon Perf approval. Cameron moved to hire Mark Barker contingent upon approval by Perf. King seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 4. **Ambulance Contract Extension Conversations** We are discussing an extension with the County on the ambulance contract.
- 5. **Police Department Hiring Process** Chief Tucker reported that the application period ended on Friday. They have 12 applicants. June 26 testing will take place.
- 6. **Letter of Engagement Baker Tilly ARP** Berkemeier moved to approve the letter of engagement with Baker Tilly. King seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 7. **City Utilities Joint Special Session Meeting** There will be a special joint session of the Utility Board, Board of Public Works, and at least 2 members of the Common Council next Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. This special session is to discuss the possibility of dissolving the utility board.
- 8. Waste Management Contract Extension It is time to take a look at our waste management contract. Miller said when they take a truck over to dump that they are

getting charged for a full load even if it isn't full. Pavey said he will discuss this with Chris regarding an adjustment.

## **COVID-19 Update**

**Year End Report** – Mayor Pavey said he will email a copy of the 2020 year-end report. **District 6 Healthcare Coalition Year End Report** –

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

**ADJOURN:** There was nothing more to come before the Board; Berkemeier moved to adjourn. King seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:57 p.m.